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SUBJ: S&T AGREEMENT: MICROBIOLOGY AREA: SEMINAR ON
IMMOBOLIZED ENZYMES

1. PROFESSOR BEREZIN OF MOSCOW UNIVERSITY HAS REQUESTED
PROMPT REPLY TO FOLLOWING LETTER CONCERNING US-USSR
SEMINAR ON OMMOBOLIZED ENZYMES. EARLY AGREEMENT ON
DATE AND STRUCTURING OF SEMINAR ESSENTIAL TO PROVIDE
AMPLE TIME TO ORGANIZE SEMINAR AND TO OBTAIN NECESSARY
CLEARANCES FROM MINISTRY OF HIGHER AND SPECIALIZED
EDUCATION TO CONVENE THIS CONFERENCE AT MOSCOW
UNIVERSITY.

2. BEGIN TEXT:

DEAR DR. LEISE,

THANK YOU FOR YOUR LETTER DATED 19/8/74. I AM
VERY SORRY TO ADMIT THAT A KIND OF SEVERE MISUNDERSTAND-
ING CONCERNING THE US-USSR SEMINAR ON IMMOBOLIZED
ENZYMES HAS DEVELOPED. I ENTIRELY AGREE WITH YOU
THAT SUCH A SEMINAR SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS PART OF
THE ACTIVITY OF THE JOINT WORKING GROUP AND IT IS PRO-
BABLY PARTIALLY MY FAULT THAT THE ORGANIZATIONAL STEPS
WHICH PROF. BEREZIN HAD TAKEN LED ASTRAY.

AT THE SAME TIME I STILL THINK THAT IT WOULD BE A
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GREAT PITY IF THIS FIRST STEP IN OUR JOINT EFFORTS WILL

TURN OUT AS A KIND OF FALSE START. THAT'S WHY I PRO-
POST TO CONSIDER WITH YOU THE POSSIBILITIES OF
ORGANIZATION OF THIS SEMINAR ALONG THOSE LINES WHICH
YOU HAVE STRESSED IN YOUR LETTER.

1. THE SEMINAR COULD BE POSTPONED SAY FOR ONE MONTH OR
MORE.

2. AMERICAN PARTICIPANTS OF THIS SEMINAR WILL BE CHOSEN
BY YOU WITH CONSIDERATION OF OUR PROPOSALS. I THINK
THAT 15 PARTICIPANTS FROM THE AMERICAN SIDE AND ABOUT
25-30 PARTICIPANTS FROM THE SOVIET SIDE WILL BE
SATISFACTORY FOR THE SEMINAR.

3. I THINK IT WILL BE POSSIBLE TO INCLUDE IN PARTICIPA-
TION OF THIS SEMINAR ALSO THE MEMBERS OF ENZYME
ENGINEERING PROJECT GROUP (DRS. LEISE, HUMPHREY ET. AL.)
AND HOLD THE MEETING OF THIS GROUP IN MOSCOW AFTER THE
SEMINAR.

4. IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT IF AN OFFICIAL MEETING
OF THE GROUP IV PROJECT PERSONNEL IS HELD IN
CONJUNCTION WITH THE SEMINAR, THE FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR
THIS GROUP MEMBERS WILL COME FROM THE U.S. (SENDING
SIDE). FURTHER IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT NSF SUP-
PORTED RESEARCHERS HAVE TRAVEL MONEY IN THEIR GRANTS
TO COVER THEIR EXPENSES TO AND FROM MOSCOW FOR SUCH
MEETINGS. FINALLY, IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THE
INDUSTRIAL PEOPLE CAN HAVE THEIR EXPENSES COVERED BY
THEIR COMPANIES.

AS PROF. BEREZIN INFORMED ME HE HAS MET PROF.
HUMPHREY IN TOKYO AT THE BEGINNING OF THIS SEPTEMBER
AND THEY HAVE DISCUSSED IN SOME DETAIL A POSSIBLE
DEVELOPMENT OF COMING EVENTS. I HOPE THAT THE ABOVE
SAID IN THIS LETTER WOULD BE TO A CERTAIN EXTENT
SATISFACTORY TO BOTH SIDES AND I WOULD VERY MUCH AP-
PRECiate YOUR PROMPT REPLY ON THIS MATTER.

SINCERELY,
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